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# President, legislators take center stage as they begin new term at swearing-in ceremony

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The day marked another chapter in the history book of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

On Wednesday, July 1, newly-elected Ho-Chunk Nation government officials were sworn into office, ushering in a new administration. The event was held at the Ho-Chunk Convention Center in Baraboo.

Taking the oath of office were Wilfrid Cleveland as president, along with legislators Doug Greengrass, Andrea Estebo, Kathy De Camp, Shelby Visintin, and Forrest Whiterrabbit, who each came to the stage to give the oath of service to the Nation with Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board Chairman Bridget Schultz.

Also, Jo Deen Lowe was sworn-in as chief judge of Trial Court and Todd Matha as chief justice of the Supreme Court.

But before the official duties began, President Jon Greendeer offered his words of wisdom as he passed along the duties of leading the Nation.

"Just because I am leaving as president, the sense of responsibility

doesn't go away," Greendeer said. "I will still be looking out for the best interests of the Nation.

"People have asked why I decided not to run for re-election," Greendeer said. "I'm looking forward to spending some quality time with my family. With the office, I have sacrificed a lot – time away from the family I'll never get back.

"My daughter is going into fifth grade and she was going to first grade when I started," he said. "She gets dropped off early in the morning and we rush to pick her up by 6. I look forward to being able to spend time with her, as well as things like getting the oil changed on time and being able to see the house in daylight."

He said everyone has been asking what he plans to do, now that he has stepped down from presidency.

"Nothing – for me – is something to do," he said. "Today is not about the end of an administration. It's all about love for one another."

He praised his colleagues in the Legislature. There's always friction between different branches, but that is true in any government, he said. They are the strongest people on the planet.

"Everything we've done the last four years, we've done together," Greendeer said. "I'm very happy to do

my part in it."

He is very excited that President Cleveland is going to take the role, he said.

"People are saying 'thank you.' I'm the one who should say 'thank you.' You gave me the opportunity to serve this great Nation. This is what makes me happy. You know you've accomplished something if you leave things better than you found it," Greendeer said.

"It didn't hit me until I see everyone here. All the people picked me up when I stumbled and laughed when I laughed. Thank you for your service."

Greendeer was honored with a vest that was made by the family with a vest in honor of his time and effort to the Nation. It featured white feathers on the front, symbolic of his Ho-Chunk name "Maasusga."

"Jon has given us the gift of a lifetime," said his twin sister Michelle Greendeer-Rave. "Now we have a gift for him."

A special appearance was made by Miss Indian World, Cheyenne Brady, from Fort Berthold Reservation, New Town, North Dakota. She was present for the ceremony and spoke about the honor of being invited for such a special ceremony. She later gave a presentation to the youth.

Other dignitaries and their



President Wilfrid Cleveland takes the oath of office from Election Board Chairman Bridget Schultz.

representatives from federal government were present.

"It's a very special day to celebrate a new beginning," said U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin. "It's a day to set aside our differences and assume your new roles for the benefit of the next generations.

The values passed down is the respect of the land, both culturally and historically, she said.

"The Ho-Chunk people are the People of the Big Voice and you are being heard in Washington D.C.," she said. "It's been a privilege to see the Nation develop programs for housing, for health and wellness, for veterans, and for quality of life across the state.

"I'm honored to share this special day," she said.

Wilfrid Cleveland took the stage to accept the oath, followed by a short speech of acceptance.

"This is heartwarming. I offer a world of thanks to Tribal Chief Clayton Winneshiek, thanks to the youth, tribal elders and President Greendeer. You do your best for the Ho-Chunk people. I often think of what the elders thought when they formed the Nation. I try to continue that effort on, try-

ing to do what I can for the Ho-Chunk Nation," he said.

Cleveland said he was raised in the Mission and currently lives in Sandpilot. He said he would like to strengthen the language abilities of the people and perhaps, on day, to hold the legislative meetings in the Ho-Chunk language.

The ceremony concluded with a song for each of the sworn-in officials and their families.



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President Jon Greendeer accepts an honorary vest from his family, including (left) his sister Samantha Skenandore and (right) his father George Greendeer.

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# Ceremony marks the transfer of Badger property to the Ho-Chunk Nation

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Tents and many people filled a spot that once was tall grass just the day before. It was a celebration, as many members of the Nation, as well as the community, came out to look to the future of a land that was returned to the Ho-Chunk Nation.

On Friday, June 26, the Ho-Chunk Nation celebrated the transfer of 1,553 acres of the property from the federal government to the Nation.

The Badger Army Ammunition Plant was built on a 3,050 acre piece of land after being claimed as federal property nearly a century ago.

The Badger Ammunition Plant was the biggest munitions factory in the world during World War II and also used during the Korean War and the Vietnam War. The land the plant stands on used to be owned by the Ho-Chunk Nation, and in 1988, the Ho-Chunk filed a claim to gain back a portion of the land.

“When Ho-Chunk found out that this property was being decommissioned and was going to be transferred outside of federal ownership, I think that was the first light that triggered the Ho-Chunk Nation to say that used to be our

ceded territory from 1837 and the land should come back to the Nation,” Samantha Skenandore said at the ceremony.

For nearly 30 years, the Ho-Chunk Nation has been fighting for a piece of land left empty since the Badger Army Ammunition Plant closed down near Baraboo.

U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin and the Ho-Chunk Nation have been working to get the land back since she was elected to Congress in 1998.

“I take great pride in bringing people together, giving the community a voice, and getting the job done,” Baldwin said. “I am pleased that hard work and persistence has paid off with this agreement. This helps solve a long standing problem and is a big win for the community.”

“We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Senator Baldwin and her office for her unrelenting determination to see this transfer take place,” said Ho-Chunk Nation President Jon Greendeer.

The Badger Army Ammunition Plant has been a landmark in Sauk County for about 70 years. As the Army slowly moves out, all that will be left is the memory of that historic powder plant, including all the controversy over

water contamination.

Badger Ammo was the area’s biggest employer during its operation, employing more than 60,000 people to manufacture ammunition over the years. Also, the plant had the biggest environmental impact in the area.

After the plant was shut down, it was contamination that would become controversy for many years. Coalitions of residents formed who fought for clean water. For more than 20 years, the Army has been treating that water in the area around the former plant site at a cost of more than \$200 million.

The Army is preparing the site for its new owners, still clearing up soil contamination from years of burning propellants and tearing down what was once large enough to be a small city.

“You start with the infrastructure: the telephone poles and the wires and you take the buildings down, and you make sure you don’t leave anything behind that’s going to cause problems,” said Army representative Joan Kenney.

The Army has torn down nearly 1,400 buildings and just 30 remain on the site.

Although plans for the



Many people witnessed the Badger Ammunition Plant property transfer ceremony on the actual site south of Baraboo.

land are still in limbo, one of the strong suggestions are to restore the prairie and allow bison to graze. It could be an education center for the public, Greendeer said.

The rest of the Badger Ammo property is going to be the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area, a Wisconsin DNR project. Also, part of it belongs to the Dairy Forage Research Center.

Greendeer said there is no hurry to rush into any project and that time is needed for Grandmother Earth to heal.

“When we start looking

at advanced land planning, there’s a lot of room to do agriculture, parks and recreation and also bison and prairie restoration,” Greendeer said.

“What does the land transfer really mean?” asked Randy Poelma, Ho-Chunk Nation environment specialist. “It means we have a responsibility to heal and protect this land. We have respect and an obligation to protect our grandmother.”

For years, Poelma has been involved in various groups that were created to decide the fate of the land. He envisions the Badger land to be a project similar to the dedication given to the Kickapoo Valley Reserve several years ago in which they planted, restored trout streams, and created and maintained trails and roads.

“These are the types of cooperative projects that we can look forward to,” Poelma said.



Samantha Skenandore



U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin



President Jon Greendeer



Randy Poelma

# President Obama emphasizes wage fairness during visit to UW- La Crosse

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A loud, enthusiastic crowd welcomed President Barack Obama Thursday, July 2, at the Recreational Eagle Center at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

“It is good to be back in God’s Country,” Obama said after he approached the podium.

Obama asked for a bratwurst, relating to the Wisconsin culture.

Then, he began attacking the economic strategy of the conservatives and the state governor. Middle-class economics works when Americans come together, Obama said.

“America has always done better when we’re all in it together and everybody gets a fair shot,” Obama said. “Everybody gets their fair shot, everybody is doing their fair

share and nobody is playing by their own set of rules, and we all feel like we have a common stake in our success, from the CEO in the corner suite to the workers on the factory floor.”

His economic policies support the premise of everyone doing their fair share. Recently, he announced that the government will change the labor policies to support employees’ ability to receive overtime pay.

“This is an issue of basic fairness. If you work longer and work harder, you should get paid for it,” Obama said.

“They essentially label someone as a manager instead of a worker, even if they are making like \$25,000, working a whole bunch of hours. It’s a way of getting around the minimum wage; it’s not fair,” Obama said.

Obama also talked about

Republicans resisting any attempts to raise the minimum wage.

“Keeping the minimum wage worth less than it was when Ronald Reagan took office before most of you were born — that’s a bad idea,” Obama said. “Although, to be accurate, at least one of them actually thinks we just shouldn’t have a nationwide minimum wage at all — we should just get rid of it.”

Obama criticized Republican presidential candidates who support policies for the wealthy while cutting benefits for the middle class.

“Every single one of these candidates serving in Congress has supported cutting taxes for folks at the top while slashing investments in education. I know that sounds familiar,” Obama said.

Obama mention that the La Crosse Tribune noted

that Minnesota is winning the border battle, comparing Walker’s policies to those of Democratic Gov. Mark Dayton of Minnesota. In Minnesota, they raised taxes on the wealthiest residents and raised the state’s minimum wage.

“Now, according to the Republican theory, all those steps would have been bad for the economy. But Minnesota’s unemployment rate is lower than Wisconsin’s. Minnesota’s median income is around \$9,000 higher,” Obama said.

“There’s no reason Wisconsin can’t share Minnesota’s success,” Obama said.

Obama said his policies aren’t just a matter of economics, but also of being a community of caring and sharing people.

“This is also a matter of values. Being an American is not about taking as much as you can from your neighbor be-



President Barack Obama speaks before a capacity crowd on July 2.

fore they take as much as they can from you,” Obama said. “We’re not just a bunch of individuals out here on our own. We’re a community. We’re a family.”



# Update on the proposed Kijire Nagu Treatment Center

Submitted by Jeff Crone, Ho-Chunk Nation Policy Analyst

On June 24th the Kijire Nagu Healing Center workgroup met in the Blue Wing community near Tomah to work at moving the long overdue proposed treatment center forward. A previous meeting was held on June 16th in the Indian Heights community. Not all of the workgroup members were able to attend the last two meetings but in the interest of moving the project forward decisions were made by those who were in attendance.

One of these decisions was to begin the project as a Legal Liability Corporation (LLC) with the option for the workgroup to change that status down the road to either a 501 (c) 3 or 7871 tax exempt status Corporation. The purpose for this is for the project to be able to move forward as a tax exempt Corporation with the ability to pursue funding.

Another decision made was that the current workgroup members would officially become the interim Kijire Nagu

Healing Center Board of Directors who, with a quorum of five members can conduct official business and make decisions on behalf of the development of the proposed KN Healing Center.

On June 23rd the Ho-Chunk Legislature convened and passed the Kijire Nagu Corporation “Articles of Organization”. The purpose for this is to officially establish the proposed Corporation by The undersigned, Ho-Chunk Nation, acting as incorporator of the corporation.

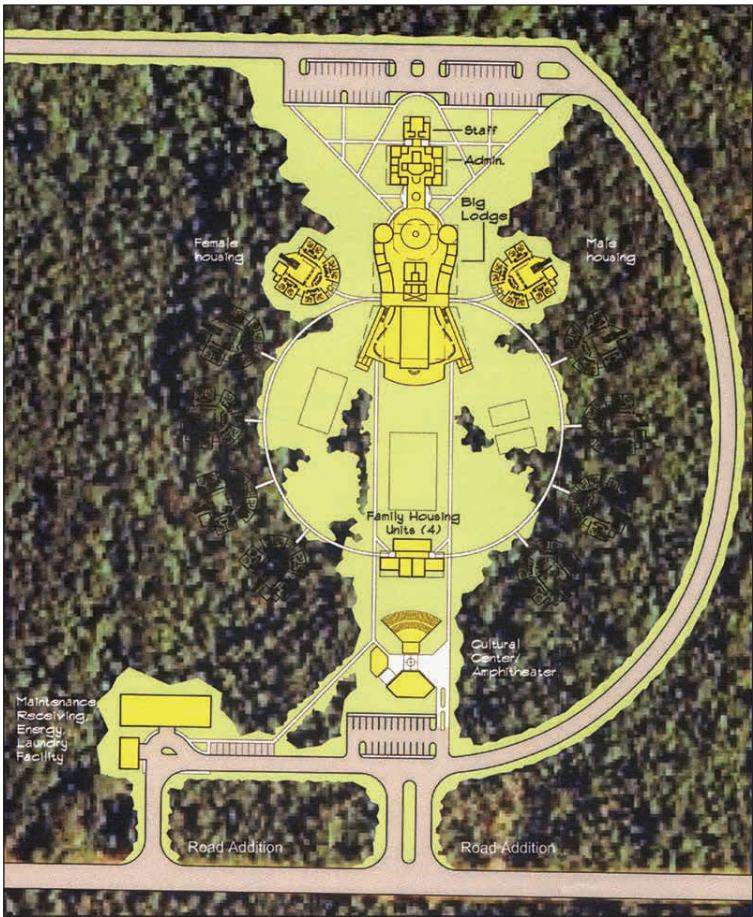
Also at the June 23rd meeting the Legislature approved Res. 62316mm, that authorizes the Kijire Nagu, LLC, the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, Department of Health, Department of Social Services, and Department of Planning to apply for grants and other funding opportunities that support the development and operation of the Kijire Nagu Healing Center.

In addition By-laws have been developed and the (workgroup) officially now the Board, is currently reviewing them to make changes and

adopt a final document.

At the last meeting in Blue Wing visitors from Gunderson/Lutheran came to propose a partnership with the group, they are very interested in helping Kijire Nagu get up and running and to support the long term sustainability of the planned addiction treatment center. They asked how they can help and with responses from the group they went back to their superiors to get answers. Robert Mann, who works with them brought them into the group and believes they can be a working asset to the development and operations of the project.

Another development in the project is the Nation is pursuing the purchase of a property for the proposed center. The workgroup (The KN Board) decided on the pursuit of a previously approved property in Adams County in the Town of Dell Prairie, The property is known as “The Christian Church of Full Endeavor”.



Concept drawing of the Kijire Nagu healing center from the Comprehensive Master Plan Report.

## Diabetes Basics

### Class Schedule for Black River Falls Group MM

All classes will be held in the Clinic Conference Room at the Ho-Chunk Healthcare Clinic

July 27th – 1:30-3:30 pm – Introduction, what is diabetes, diabetes treatment, physical activity

August 10th – 1:30-3:30 pm – Food plan and carb. counting

September 21st – 1:30-3:30 pm – Hypo and hyperglycemia, sick day management, diabetes success plan, food plan and alcohol, physical activity

October 19th – 1:30-3:30 pm– Managing and preventing complications with physical activity, chair exercise

November 23rd – 1:30-3:30 pm – Diabetes changes over time, staying healthy for a lifetime, healthy feet, healthy heart, risk factors and heart health, blood fats and heart health, secrets of success

December 21st – 1:30-3:30 pm –Ups and downs of diabetes management, is your treatment plan working, managing stress, when life gets in the way, more on healthy eating, weight loss, keeping active, staying in charge of your diabetes.

January 18th – 1:30-3:30 pm – Diabetes conversation maps

Due to the length of the classes, make-ups will not be feasible. Please try to mark the classes in your schedule ahead of time. New classes start every other month so if you miss a scheduled class, you could attend another one. Ask staff for schedule.

An assessment must be completed before class so please contact us early for this appointment. Lab work may also need to be completed – it must have been done within 3 months of the start date of the class.

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# Miss Indian World, 2015

Mackenzie Blackdeer  
Summer Youth Reporter

Cheyenne Brady is a beautiful young woman who is obviously, Miss Indian World 2015 (MIW).

She grew up in Pawnee, OK where her mother is from. In 2007, at age 14, she moved to Fort Berthold Reservation, which is where her father is from.

When I interviewed her, there wasn't really ever a dull moment. Her eyes always sparkled like her smiled whenever she cracked a joke with other kids and me.

She gave a great speech to the other youth workers in the Dells Casino about Leadership. Afterwards, that's when I interviewed her with a couple of friends of mine, Destina Warner, Cheyenne Mike, and Roy Goodbear.

I asked, "What tribes are you in?"

She replied, "Well, I am in a lot, but I'm enrolled in Sac and Fox tribe. But I am also Cheyenne, ironically, Pawnee, Hidatsa, and Arikara."

By the way, she has the best

laugh.

Next, I asked, "What is Indian World?"

She responded with "It is a title held by young woman to represent Native American people throughout the United States and the World."

When asked "What made you want to go for Miss Indian World?"

She said "My parents always danced, so I ended up always dancing and such. We would always go to Gathering of Nations and I would idolize the woman who won each year. So, pretty much it has been my dream to be Miss Indian World. I tried to make that dream happen when I was 18 but I lost."

She continued, "I ended up going to college at NDSU. I have my bachelor degree in Science and Psychology. I'm also starting my masters this fall in Public Health, specifying in American Indian Health."

She resumed by saying, "In April, I went to Gathering of Nations and competed and I won MIW... and now I'm just

touring everywhere and having a great time."

Related to the last question, I asked "What was your experience competing?"

She answered, "It was a good experience. I met a lot of amazing girls from all over. The first time I tried out I was nervous, but the second time not so much. I just had to keep saying, 'Be Yourself' and have fun with it. But, overall, it was a great experience."

I asked, "How did you feel when you won?"

She had the biggest grin that went across her face as she said "It's... it's unexplainable."

She smiled to herself again and progressed by saying, "Getting crowned made me happy. I felt as proud as I did during my college graduation. It was a good feeling. But it was two different good feelings... but it was a good feeling."

"What do you plan to do while MIW?"

"My primary thing is youth. They need to know that they

should take pride in who they are and where they come from."

I said, "I know where I come from, there is this place called Youth and it's where we go to do activities, get help with school and what not. A place to do our homework, learn language and culture for about twenty minutes."

She looked at me surprised and exclaimed, "Only twenty minutes?" I nodded.

Cheyenne Mike went on to explain how schools have Ho-Chunk as a language class. She is in Ho-Chunk 3.

I explained how I come from a school where I'm the only Native American and there is no Ho-Chunk language class. The only learning I get is at youth for twenty minutes, and most of the time I can't even go to youth because of school activities.

"Language is a big part of our culture, and if we lose both what will become of natives everywhere," I mentioned.

That question lead us into talking about how a lot of



**Cheyenne Brady, Miss Indian World 2015**

tribes are not recognized, because of their language is somewhat lost, or got mixed up with another one and/or they don't have documents to prove to the government that they are a sovereign nation like the rest.

Caucasians know what they are: French, German, Swedish, Norwegian, Italian, and what not, but most of them don't know the language or the culture of their heritage. Most people take pride in their heritage, but you can't take pride in what you don't know.

This lead also into a totally different subject. I honestly don't know how. Anyways, we started to talk away about the 7th Generation Revitalization belief (which is not utilized with Ho-Chunk culture.)

"It's cool, but it's crazy," said Mike.

After my questions, some of the other students asked questions (Cheyenne Mike, Destina Warner, and Roy Goodbear).

Goodbear asked "Who was your biggest competition?"

Brady replied "Even though this may sound cliché, but all of them were amazing. I mean it takes a lot of courage to even just fill out the forms and stuff. There is also a lot of time and preparation to it also. All of the bravery and courage and gratitude of those girls is amazing."

Warner asked, "What style do you dance?"

Brady said, "I dance Southern Traditional, but usually dance in this outfit I have on right now. This is a Northern Dress."

Warner also asked, "Who beaded your crown and sash?"

Brady replied, "An older lady named Nan Yellow-mule."

Last, but not least, Warner asked, "What is the regalia you are wearing right now?"

Brady simply answered, "An Arikara Ribbon Dress."

The interview went great and Cheyenne Brady was awesome to have a conversation with. She is radiate and beautiful, which shows on the outside and she makes a splendid Miss Indian World.



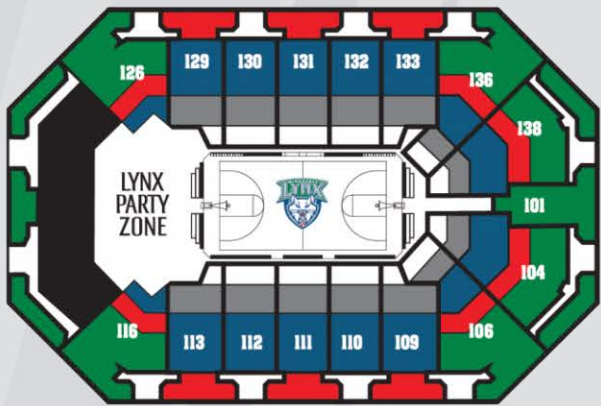
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# The Game of Life meets Financial Frenzy

Mackenzie Blackdeer  
Summer Youth Reporter

Eleven years ago, young adults with their eighteen money, used it recklessly, without knowing the impingement upon their future lives. Because of this happening, The Game of Life (also, The Financial Frenzy) was created. To teach high school students the importance of the spending their money wisely. Originally, they were two separate things, but they were very similar. Due to cuts of the nation, it was decided to bring them together and combine the two names. Formerly, it was just for high school students. As years progressed, they decided to add middle school students. Jean-Ann Day said “There was more opportunities for the middle schoolers.” Wilfrid Cleveland added, “If they went, the more you hear it, the more it will stick to your brain.” Day also said, “Psychology says you have to repeat 7 times to remember it.” Related to that, it helps

youth learn by being a part of it, not just listening to it. They give you playing cards with real life scenarios on them. For example, if you get a card that says something about childcare, you would go to the childcare booth, and receive a baby doll to carry around with you. One of the girls commented, “Boy! Are babies expensive?” It opens minds with the youth about per capita funds and cost with crimes. When asked, “Do you think the youth enjoy coming each year?” They all nodded at each other and responded, “Yes, it was a fun day.” What made it different from past years is that they combined the Game of Life and Financial Frenzy events and added a couple more booths. In the first years when they were doing this, they gave out Monopoly style money. The money was in the folders until one youth lost it and lost the \$150,000. That’s when someone brought up checkbooks. Now that times are changing, they did debit cards this year

for a modern feel. They also thought to address this with adults, because if the adults know better then, they could encourage their kids, grandkids, and many others. It’s difficult for the youth to practice something at home if adults don’t know anything about it, such as the Ho-Chunk culture, the language, or in this case, the responsible of using their 18 money. When also asked, “How many youth would you estimate went this year?” Kristi Green and Day responded, “Just about 40-44 youth participants.” Day added, “In the past, in the house of wellness, there was over 100 youth.” The number increased from last year. “It used to be on Saturdays. For most people, it was hard to attend since most people had something to do on the weekend. The parents had to bring them which was another problem, because sometimes the parents couldn’t. So we tried to get Youth Services more and more involved and set the dates earlier,” said Day. They wouldn’t really change anything for next year. They liked this year. They use to have to get up extra early to set up everything, but the staff at Rainbow Casino did everything. Overall, everything went well, and everyone cannot wait until next year. They hope to just keep getting better and better.



Students using computers for employment and career booths.



Youth visiting Education Department booth.



Youth visiting a child care booth.

## Myra Price retires

Mackenzie Blackdeer  
Summer Youth Reporter

Myra Price has worked for Ho-Chunk Housing for 24 years and worked for the nation 27 years. She also was an Army Airborne Veteran. She had a passion for what she was doing. Greg “Bubba” Blackdeer had said, “She wants to be done, now she is on to her next adventure.” Everybody clapped and cheered. Wade Blackdeer gave grace to bless everyone and the food. The meal had pulled pork sandwiches, chips, beans. Awesome food; let’s just put it that way, all followed by cake. Everyone shared the happiness and laughs, while others cracked jokes along with smiles. Price thanked everyone for coming. Price said, “I am happy and glad that I am retiring.” She continued saying “When I was first hired, I was

asked to make a commitment to people, and be accountable. I was asked to help and improve for the people. I agreed. I thought that every day when I worked. Believing in this job, knowing I’ve made a commitment, did everything I was asked, makes me feel good. I’m okay with leaving.” When asked, “What are you planning to do after retirement?” She clarified “I will be working my restaurant, which is a BBQ like restaurant. I will also be sewing, bead work, gardening, and taking care of my grandchildren. I did the best I could. Now it’s time to turn it over to the next generation.” Just before she stopped talking she said, “I liked my party though. It was unexpected. It was very nice from the employees and especially nice since family was here. It meant a lot. I enjoyed it a lot. Housing is excellent and has a lot of knowledge.”

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Brook Funmaker, Melissa Lowe, Jessica McMillan, &  
Chavo Stumblingbear

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School-Community Relations Division  
PO Box 667  
Black River Falls, WI 54615  
  
(800) 362-4476  
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Fiscal Year July 1st – June 30th

School-Community Relations Director:  
Nehomah Thundercloud

SUMMONS  
(First Publication)  
IN THE HO-CHUNK TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency and  
Jessica J. Winneshiek, Petitioners, v. Stanley G.  
Whiteeagle, Respondent.  
Case No. CS 15-23

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:  
Stanley G. Whiteeagle

You are hereby informed that you have been named a  
respondent in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice  
of the *Petition to Register and Enforce a Foreign Judgment or  
Order for Child Support* is now served upon you by publication.  
Your written *Answer* to the *Petition* must be filed with the  
Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the  
second published issuance of this *Summons*. You may request a  
hearing within your written response. See RECOGNITION OF  
FOREIGN CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS ORDINANCE, 4 HCC  
§ 2.5. Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to  
the opposing parties listed above or to their attorney of record.  
Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed *can affect  
your right to object to the enforcement of the foreign judgment  
or order for child support.* Id., §2.6c.  
The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira,  
W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County),  
Wisconsin. The Trial Court's mailing address is P.O. Box 70,  
Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715)  
284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is  
(715) 284-3136.


SUMMONS  
(Second Publication)  
IN THE HO-CHUNK TRIAL COURT

Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency, State of  
Wisconsin and Theresa L. Hindsley, Petitioners, v.  
John W. Cloud, Respondent.  
Case No. CS 15-31

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:  
John W. Cloud

You are hereby informed that you have been named a  
respondent in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice  
of the *Petition to Register and Enforce a Foreign Judgment or  
Order for Child Support* is now served upon you by publication.  
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PAYMENT STRUCTURE


Ho-Chunk Member \$0  
Descendent of a Ho-Chunk \$25  
Other Native American \$50  
Non-Native \$75

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10-17  
Year Olds

Contact Information: Willy Cleveland, 715-284-2622 Ext. 5114 Family Services Program  
Community Supportive Services Division of the Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services.

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Black River Falls High School  
1200 Pierce St.

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Community Supportive Services Division of the Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services.



# The Ho-Chunk Nation breaks ground for new subdivision

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature/Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation completed a groundbreaking ceremony for the Hocak Hacı Subdivision in De Pere, WI on Monday, June 29, 2015. There is a plan to build 5 single family homes on the subdivision. Ho-Chunk Nation Vice President-Heather Cloud was on hand to sign the plat of survey which subdivides the parcels of land into a subdivision. The Ho-Chunk Nation Vice President and Ho-Chunk Nation District 3 Representative-Darren Brinegar were in attendance to break ground and address the crowd about this project. HHODA Executive Director – Neil Whitegull, HHODA Board Member – Martin Littlewolf and Tribal Member –Ritchie Brown spoke about the project as well.



Breaking Ground – L to R: Neil Whitegull, Martin Littlewolf, Vice President Heather Cloud, Elizabeth Crow, Dawn Lopez, Mary Lopez, Representative Darren Brinegar, Jeff Hendricks, Pam Wilbur, Ritchie Brown.

Left Photo: Vice President Heather Cloud is signing the Plat of Survey which subdivides parcels of land into a subdivision. L to R: Jeff Hendricks (HHODA), John Davel (Davel Engineering), Vice President Heather Cloud, Mary Lopez (Community Relations Specialist).

# Waksik Maa Community Center in Mauston begins with groundbreaking

**Ken Luchterhand**  
Staff Writer

What was once an active area for the Ho-Chunk people will be so again, with a new community center to bring the people together to join in celebrations and activities.

A groundbreaking ceremony for the Waksik Maa Community Center near Mauston, was held on Tuesday, June 30.

Jeff Hendricks, Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development director, said the plans had just been approved and they have gone out for the 30-day contractor bidding period.

“We hope to have it finished a year from this month,” Hendricks said.

Neil Whitegull, HHODA project manager, said the person who set things in motion, who made the motion in Legislature, was Hope Smith. The motion was to use Indian Housing dollars along Ho-Chunk Nation dollars for this. Vice President Heather Cloud supported the cause and last year made the motion to add dollars to the project.

The building will one day support a Tribal Aging Unit, Youth Services and an Administrative Department.

“This is something my grandfather and grandmother thought about and kept working on to hold community meetings,” Whitegull said. “What you see comes from this community.”

Parr Decorah said he remembered when medicine dances were held behind the present site, and his aunt used to have a distillery nearby which famous gangster Al Capone used to frequent.

“Waksik Maa is the oldest community, but it always lost out. Now we will be getting this new Community Center,” Decorah said. “I remember when I was growing up, nothing but Ho-Chunk was spoken.”

“Your voice told us what you wanted and we took it forward,” said Area II Legislator Darren Brinegar. “Since I was elected, I learned where Wa Sik Ma was and what it was all about.”

Architect Karl Lusi of Standing Stone Design provided artist concept drawings of the finished building. Standing Stone Design also created the blueprints for the Dells Dam Community and the designs are very similar except the Waksik Maa building will be slightly larger.

The Dells Dam Community Building is 3,800 square feet and the Waksik Maa Community Building will be approximately 5,300 square feet. The difference is that Waksik Maa will have a larger kitchen and a classroom for youth activities and computer classes.

The design of the building will be in

many earthtone colors to connect with the surrounding natural setting. Similar to the Dells Dam building, it will have a “Trombe Wall” which absorbs heat from the sun during the day and then emits that heat into the building during the cooling of the night. Also, acoustic panels in the walls of the main gathering room will minimize the hollow echos from voices within.



Community members and people who will make the Waksik Maa Community Center possible lined up to take a shovel from the earth to begin the construction process.



Congratulations on the new

**Wak Sik Ma Community Center!**

Standing Stone Architects are proud to say we have worked on many Ho-Chunk projects!

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Karl Lusi—Licensed Architect : (414) 526-4905



# Ho-Chunk Nation breaks ground for new Wittenberg Community Center

Submitted by Lynette Le-Garde, HCN Legislature/Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation held a groundbreaking for the Wittenberg Community Center on Monday, June 29, 2015 in Wittenberg, Wisconsin. The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature passed a resolution on

June 23, 2015 that designated the Wittenberg Community Building as the Georgianna “Siga” Violet Whitewing-Funmaker Community Building. The Ho-Chunk Nation Vice President-Heather Cloud and Ho-Chunk Nation District 3 Representative-Darren Bringer were present to break ground and deliver speeches

to the crowd. Administration Executive Director – Michael Rave and Whitewing family member Gloria Visintin spoke at the event as well.

Family and Community members attended the groundbreaking in which construction is tentatively set for five weeks from the groundbreaking.



## The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature adopts appropriation bills

Submitted by Lynette Le-Garde, HCN Legislature/Chief Communications Officer

A Special Legislative Meeting was held on May 27, 2015 in Black River Falls, WI. The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature passed six resolutions that adopted six appropriation bills for the Executive Branch, General Council Branch, Legislative Branch & General Fund, Judicial Branch, Enterprises-Gaming and Non-Gaming, Gaming Commission, Ethics Review Board and Election Board. This was the first time in history that the Legislature has passed resolutions which adopt bills.



**Tribal Secretary/HCN District 5 Representative Kathy LoneTree-Whiterabbit signs resolutions.**



Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation that the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Trust and Investment Committee Establishment and Organization Act of 2011 1 HCC § 16 and the Election Code 2 HCC § 6, Sec. 8 e.

Due to certification of a candidate and the need to meet the HCN Election Code section 14 Mail Ballot Voting a. Mail Ballot Voting(2)(b) The Election Board shall send by United States Mail a ballot to each eligible voter or Ho-Chunk Member who will be an eligible voter by the date of the election. The Election Board shall mail ballots forty-five (45) calendar days before the date of the election; and, if said date falls on a weekend, then on the first working day thereafter.

Certification timelines have been met and the following individuals are candidates for two vacant seats on the Trust and Investment Committee.

Candidate for Trust and Investment  
**THE FOLLOWING TERM IS TWO (2) YEARS:**

**Becky Manuell-Albert  
Forrest Funmaker**

### 14. Mail Ballot Voting.

a. Mail Ballot Voting.

i. Determination as to whether to conduct an Election by mail balloting.

(a) At the discretion of the Election Board, elections shall be conducted by mail ballot.

(b) Subject to the limitation provided in Section 14, subparagraph a. (1), the Election Board shall include within its Election Day Guide and Standard Operating Procedures criteria for limiting its discretion as to when an election shall use solely the procedures for poll place voting, which are contained in Section 13, or use solely the procedures for mail balloting, which are contained in Section 14. The Internal Operating Rules shall require that an election be conducted solely using mail balloting or poll place voting.

(2) Procedures for Mail Balloting.

(a) The Election Board shall designate a Post Office Box rented by the Board as the place where Ballots shall be returned. Ballots must be received at the Post Office Box designated by the Election Board not later than the day of the Election.

(b) The Election Board shall send by United States Mail a ballot to each eligible voter or Ho-Chunk Member who will be an eligible voter by the date of the election. The Election Board shall mail ballots forty-five (45) calendar days before the date of the election; and, if said date falls on a weekend, then on the first working day thereafter.

(c) A Voter may obtain a replacement ballot from the Election Board if his or her ballot is destroyed, spoiled, lost or not received by the Voter.

(d) The Election Board shall not mail a replacement ballot later than ten (10) working days before the day of an

## NOTICE AND RULES OF MAIL BALLOTING ELECTION TRUST & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE Friday, August 28, 2015

Election. If pursuant to Section 14, subparagraph a. (3) a voter requests a replacement ballot, the Election Board shall only give a replacement ballot if the request for the replacement ballot is made fifteen (15) working days before the day of the Election.

b. Ballots. The Ballot package mailed out by the Election Board shall consist of a ballot which otherwise meets the requirements of Section 12, an outer envelope, instruction sheet, ballot secrecy envelope, and return envelope.

c. Voting Procedure. The Voter shall mark the ballot and place it in the ballot secrecy envelope and seal it. The Voter shall then place the ballot secrecy envelope inside the return envelope and seal it. The return envelope shall be signed by the Voter as his or her name appears on the return envelope and he or she shall return it by United States Mail to the location designated by the Election Board.

d. Returns. The Board shall verify that the returned envelope bears the signature of the voter. If the envelope is not signed, the ballot shall be rejected. The entire rejected ballot shall be deposited unopened in a separate, secure box for invalid ballots. If the envelope is not signed, the ballot shall be rejected. The entire rejected ballot shall be deposited unopened in a separate, secure box for invalid ballots. If the envelope is signed, the ballot shall be deposited in the locked ballot box. For ballots placed in the locked ballot box, the Election Board shall make a notation in the poll book, next to the Voter's name, that indicates that the Voter has returned his or her ballot.

e. Multiple Ballots. If a Voter to whom a replacement ballot has been issued pursuant to Subsection a. (2) (c) of this Section votes more than once, only the ballot with the earliest postmark shall be counted. If there are two (2) or more ballots with the same postmark date for one (1) Voter, neither ballot shall be counted.

f. Security of Ballots. Returned Ballots shall remain in the designated Post Office Box until retrieved by the Election Administrator. The Election Administrator shall retrieve returned ballots on a daily basis and the day after the Election. Upon picking up returned ballots, the Election Administrator shall place the returned ballot in the Ballot Security Box located at the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board Office. Following the counting of ballots, the Election Board shall maintain returned ballots in a secure location. g. Rejected Ballots.

(1) The Election Board shall count only the choice(s) which can be determined.

(2) The Election Board shall keep and retain all partially or completely rejected ballots for a period of at least three (3) years.

h. Election Results.

(1) Unofficial results will not be released.

(2) The Election Board shall determine the official results of the election and shall use the Official Ballot Accounting Form (Election Board Form 5 at Appendix A). The official tallying of the votes shall be open for public observation. The public must remain quiet and in no way interfere with the orderly tallying of the ballots.

(3) The Election Board shall post the official results on the Official Certificate of Election Results Form (Election Board Form 6 at Appendix A). The Official Certificate of Election Results Forms shall be signed by each Member of the Election Board. The Election Board shall post the Certificate at the Polling Places within three (3) calendar days after the date of election.

(4) After the Election Board has certified the official election results, the Election Board shall retain the election records. These records shall include the counted ballots, the unused ballots, and the

spoiled or rejected ballots, if any. The Election Board shall retain the election records for at least three (3) years.

**THE FOLLOWING TERMS ARE TWO (2) YEARS WITH TWO (2) OPENINGS:**

e. Qualifications of Trust and Investment Committee Members.

i. All Candidates for a position on the Trust and Investment Committee shall meet the qualifications listed in the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee Establishment and Organization Act of 2011, 1 HCC § 16, which states: "5. Committee Member Qualifications:

a. To be eligible for appointment or election, Committee members shall have one or more of the following qualifications:

(1) Certified Public Accountant or Charter Financial Analyst;

(2) An associates or, preferably, a bachelor's degree in accounting, business, finance;

(3) Financial professional certification, including any of the following: Certified Financial Planner; Certified Fund Specialist; Chartered Financial Consultant; Chartered Investment Counselor; Certified Investment Management Analyst; Chartered Market Technician; Personal Financial Specialist; (4) At least five-years proven experience managing investments as a fiduciary on another's behalf."

b. If interested in appointment or election to the Committee, an individual shall submit a letter of interest and a resume as appropriate:

For appointments: to the CTF Task Force for the initial appointments made by the Legislature, and to the Committee for all subsequent appointments.

For elections: to the Election Board consistent with Election Code (2 HCC § 6).

c. All potential Committee members shall undergo a credit check and a criminal background check prior to the appointment or election. A potential Committee member shall not be eligible for service on the Committee if the criminal background check reveals either of the following:

(1) A felony.

(2) Any crime of dishonesty, including, but not limited to, fraud, misrepresentation, theft or deception in any form.

d. A potential Committee member must be able to obtain a financial bond. e. Each Committee member shall honorably protect and uphold the purpose of the Committee with integrity, diligence and foresight.

f. All the qualification requirements listed above must be maintained throughout a Committee member's term and shall be reviewed at least annually by the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Justice

**ELIGIBLE VOTERS:**

Any enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation who is at least eighteen (18) years old and who has resided in their respective district for at least three (3) months. See Election Code Sec. 11 (a) (6).

**ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:**

Any individual whose name does not appear on the eligible voters list can claim the right to vote by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. Any eligible voter may challenge the eligibility of an individual's name appearing on the eligible voters list by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board.

**The Election Board shall rule on all written challenges to the list of eligible voters immediately after the close of the challenge period.**

Section 11. c. ii. (Deadline Sunday, July 12, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.).

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board  
206 South Roosevelt Road  
P.O. Box 756  
Black River Falls, WI. 54615  
TELEPHONE (715)284-8900  
TOLL FREE (800)890-0583  
FAX NUMBER(715)284-8600  
E-MAIL:  
[ElectionBoard@ho-chunk.com](mailto:ElectionBoard@ho-chunk.com)

**Deadline to challenge the candidate(s) list to Election Board is Tuesday, July 7, 2015 @ 4:00 p.m.**

Ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX and UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**

**POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:**

The Election Board shall certify and post the official election results within three (3) days after the date of election.

**CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:** Any member of the Ho-Chunk Nation may challenge the results of any election results within ten (10) days after the Election Board certifies the results. The Trial Court shall hear and decide a challenge to any election within twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

**ELECTIONEERING:**

There shall be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling places.

**TRUST AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE ELECTION DAY**  
**Friday, August 28, 2015**

**POST NOTICE OF ELECTION**  
**Wednesday, May 20, 2015**

**POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST**  
**Thursday, July 2, 2015**

**CHALLENGES TO THE ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 4:00 PM**  
**Sunday, July 12, 2015**

**MAIL BALLOTS WILL BE MAILED**  
**Tuesday, July 14, 2015**

**LAST DAY TO REQUEST REPLACEMENT BALLOT**  
**Friday, August 7, 2015**

**LAST DAY TO MAIL REPLACEMENT BALLOT**  
**Friday, August 14, 2015**

**ALL BALLOTS DUE TO THE ELECTION BOARD OFFICE**  
**Friday, August 28, 2015**  
**at 4:00 p.m.**

Posted 07/02/2015



**Don Matthews, Norm Stoker, Greg Blackdeer, Mary Nandory, and Jann Dahl.**

Representative Greg Blackdeer. The donation will be used to make improvements to Brockway Park which include new playground equipment and a basketball court. The donation is a compact deduction. The Town Board hopes to make a playground equipment selection within two weeks and will have the equipment assembled in the park within four weeks.



NOTICE AND RULES OF  
SPECIAL ELECTION  
SUPREME COURT ASSOCIATE JUSTICE 2  
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015



Supreme Court  
Associate Justice 2:  
  
Matthew Mann  
(Pending Background Check)

Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of Ho-Chunk Nation. The Ho-Chunk Nation is calling a Special Election, which will be held due to the resignation of Supreme Court Associate Justice 2, Todd R. Matha, who won the seat in the Special Election Supreme Court Chief Justice held on Saturday, April 25, 2015. The Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation will conduct a Special Election. ARTICLE IX – ELECTIONS and the Election Code 2 HCC Sec. 6, states in relevant part:

**ELIGIBLE VOTERS:**  
Any enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation who is at least eighteen (18) years old and who has resided in their respective district for at least three (3) months. See Election Board Code Sec. 11 (b) Residency Requirement for Voters.

**REGISTRATION**  
Each person seeking to vote must register at the polling place by showing identification before receiving an Official Ballot. If a person cannot write, that person must sign his/her name with a mark before two (2) witnesses. A Ho-Chunk translator will be available to assist any tribal member who requests assistance.

**ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:**  
Any individual whose name does not appear on the eligible voters list can claim the right to vote by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. Any eligible voter may challenge the eligibility of an individual's name appearing on the eligible voters list by presenting a written

challenge to the Election Board. Challenges must be received at the Election Office prior to 4:30 P.M. on Monday, July 6, 2015. Such claims or challenges may be hand-delivered, faxed or mailed to:

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board  
206 South Roosevelt Road  
P.O Box 756  
Black River Falls, WI. 54615  
TELEPHONE (715)284-8900  
TOLL FREE (800)890-0583  
FAX NUMBER(715)284-8600  
E-MAIL:  
[Election.board@ho-chunk.com](mailto:Election.board@ho-chunk.com)

The Election Board shall rule on all written challenges to the eligible voters list immediately after the close of the challenge period. The Election Board decision shall be final.

**ABSENTEE VOTING:**  
A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than Friday, July 10, 2015 by 4:00 P.M. See Election Board Code, sec. 13 a. i. Absentee Voting Permitted  
Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter's name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS Next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number. **Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, July 23, 2015.** Absentee ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX and UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**

**POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:**  
The Election Board shall certify and post the official election results within three (3) days after the date of election.

**CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:**  
Any member of the Ho-Chunk Nation may challenge the results of any election results within ten (10) days after the Election Board certifies the results. The Trial Court shall hear and decide a challenge to any election within Twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

See HCN Constitution Article VIII, Election, Sec. 7, Challenges of Election Results. Election Code Sec. 18 (a) Challenges to the Election Results.

**ELECTIONEERING:**  
There shall be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling places.

**SPECIAL ELECTION  
Thursday,  
July 23, 2015**

**POST NOTICE OF  
ELECTION**  
Monday, June 22, 2015

**POST VOTERS LIST**  
Tuesday, June 23, 2015

**OFFICIAL NOMINATION  
PETITION DEADLINE**  
Tuesday, June 30, 2015  
**4:30 PM**

**CHALLENGES TO THE  
ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST  
MUST BE RECEIVED  
PRIOR TO**  
Monday, July 6, 2015  
**4:30 PM**

**LAST DAY TO  
CHALLENGE THE  
CANDIDATES LIST**  
Tuesday, July 7, 2015  
**4:30 PM**

**LAST DAY TO REQUEST  
ABSENTEE BALLOTS**  
Friday, July 10, 2015  
**4:00 PM**

**SPECIAL ELECTION  
Thursday,  
July 23, 2015  
8:00 AM TO  
7:00 PM**

*\*If a candidate after the certification of the Special Primary Election for Supreme Court Associate Justice 2 did not receive the required fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) of the total votes cast to be declared as the winner; a Special General Election will be held Wednesday, August 12, 2015. See Election Board Code, Sec. 5 a(2).*

Posted 07/02/2015

**POLLING PLACES:**

**BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI**  
HHCDA  
W8113 Indian Mission Rd.  
715/299-6104

**TOMAH, WI**  
BLUE WING  
320 Epinal Avenue  
715/284-8900

**LA CROSSE, WI**  
LA CROSSE BRANCH  
OFFICE  
724 Main Street  
608/783-6025

**BARABOO, WI**  
HOUSE OF WELLNESS  
S2845 WhiteEagle Rd.  
608/355-1240

**MADISON, WI**  
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OFFICE  
1320 Mendota Street  
608/277-9964

**WISCONSIN DELLS, WI**  
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N957 Dyer Avenue  
715/299-6104

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COMM. BLD.  
916 Chak-hah-chee Lane  
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**WITTENBERG, WI**  
TRIBAL AGING UNIT  
W17956 Witt-Birn  
Townline Road  
715/253-3536

**GREEN BAY, WI**  
BRANCH OFFICE  
1047 9<sup>TH</sup> Street  
920/490-2774

**MILWAUKEE, WI**  
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OFFICE  
3501 S. Howell Ave.  
414/747-8680

**ST PAUL/MINNEAPOLIS, MN**  
MPLS./ST PAUL  
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1724 Selby Ave.  
651/641-1801

**CHICAGO, IL**  
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4738 North Milwaukee  
Ave. 773/202-8433



# HO-CHUNK FORWARD

# BUILDING A BRIGHTER FUTURE

Renovation plans have been approved for four Ho-Chunk Gaming properties: Black River Falls, Wittenberg, Nekoosa, and Wisconsin Dells. We have some exciting updates to share about the progress. Follow along as we move Ho-Chunk Forward at [ho-chunkforward.com](http://ho-chunkforward.com).

## GREETINGS FROM HO-CHUNK FORWARD!

Our Ho-Chunk Forward staff is very thankful for your interest in our construction plans for four of our properties. I'm excited to share some updates about the planned revitalization of our Wisconsin Dells, Black River Falls, Wittenberg, and Nekoosa properties.

We know that improving our properties is necessary for the future success of the Ho-Chunk Nation, and we are working toward creating a responsible plan that will protect the future of our Nation and its members.

Leadership has listened to the concerns of the community and assessed the proposed plans for each property. Issues related to overall project costs, timelines, and strategy are being addressed, and a new plan has been created to solve these issues. This new plan will prioritize the needs of each property and ensure that every project is done right.

The Ho-Chunk Nation has completed extensive financial

research on these expansion projects — and now is the ideal time to restore our properties. Interest rates for borrowing money are low, making it a wise decision given the profits these upgrades will bring.

Growth in our gaming operations will increase our overall economic standing and create more jobs for our tribal community. The reward is worth the risk.

We have worked hard to provide a solution that will satisfy concerns and meet the expectations of the Nation. As we move forward, we are confident that the approved plans will bring us closer to making our vision for improvement a reality.

Thank you for your continued patience and support.

**ROB REIDER**  
Senior Marketing Manager  
Department of Business

## SPEAKING FORWARD

"Successful business people take chances. It's a big risk, but it's a risk worth taking. If we're afraid to go into the future then we'll always be afraid. We are a strong people and we've been through so much over the years. We've been through a lot and we're not done. We have a hand in the destiny, if we're smart, we can make our own history."

— Security employee

## VISIT HO-CHUNKFORWARD.COM TO KEEP UP ON THE PROGRESS.

Follow us at: [twitter.com/hochunkforward](https://twitter.com/hochunkforward) and [facebook.com/hochunkforward](https://facebook.com/hochunkforward). Sign up for email alerts on our website for the latest updates.

We know Nation Members will have additional questions about the project, and we want to hear from you. Have feedback? Send an email to: [questions@ho-chunkforward.com](mailto:questions@ho-chunkforward.com).



## WISCONSIN DELLS

The approved plans for Wisconsin Dells are divided into two phases. Phase 1 will include renovations to the gaming floor, restaurants, retail area, and buffet. In Phase 2, Wisconsin Dells has approved plans for a new event center, water park, and convention center. The changes to this property will appeal to a larger, more lucrative market in Wisconsin Dells.



## WITTENBERG

The Wittenberg location will undergo changes solely in Phase 1. The property will undergo extensive expansion. Areas of growth include the gaming floor, back of house, basement, snack bar, and a new hotel. The development of this property will result in a larger, more robust gaming experience.



## BLACK RIVER FALLS

For the Black River Falls property, big changes will also come in two phases. Plans in Phase 1 will increase the size of the property. Expansions and extensive renovations to the hotel, gaming floor, snack bar, and buffet have been approved. In Phase 2, the food and beverage areas will be expanded, as well as construction of a new event center, carport, and parking ramp.



## NEKOOSA

The Nekoosa property has been approved for construction projects in Phase 2. Changes include a renovation of the property's exterior as well as renovation and expansion of the gaming floor. There are new buildings planned, too: a new hotel, pool, and carport.



# HCN Legislature appoints board for Twelve Clans, Inc.

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature-Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature held a Legislative Meeting on June 23, 2015 and passed five resolutions which appointed five candidates to the Board of Directors for the Twelve Clans, Inc. Section 17 Corporation. The newly appointed Board Members include: Sharice Davids, David Kimelberg, Jason D. Lambert, Kelley Smith-Haley, and Joanne Whiterabbit.

The Legislature also approved the Twelve Clans, Inc. Charter by resolution at the June 23, 2015 Legislative Meeting.

The Ad Hoc Search Committee has been hard at work locating candidates nationally for the Twelve Clans, Inc since December 2014.

The Federal Charter of Incorporation states, “the Corporate Board will be comprised of at least (5) members who have professional credentials, background, minimum 7 years of experience and education as follows: (i) One person in Banking and/or Finance; (ii) One person with experience as a CEO and possesses a Master’s in Business Administration (MBA) or other similar education designation; (iii) One person with a sufficient Securities and/or Investment background; (iv) One person with experience and certification as a CFO, CPA and/or similar designation; and (v) One attorney with appropriate experience, education and background in business matters.”

This brings the Ho-Chunk Nation one step closer to separating business from government.



Back L-R: Sharice Davids, Jason Lambert, Kelly Smith-Haley, Joanne Whiterabbit, David Kimelberg, Front L-R: Joseph Keller, Becky Albert-Breed, Kathy Hannan, James Greendeer, Wendy WhiteEagle

## Ho-Chunk Nation hosts Effigy Mound Tour



Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature/Chief Communications Officer

George Greendeer, Ho-Chunk Nation Legislative District 5 Aide, and Bill Quackenbush, Ho-Chunk Nation Cultural Resources provided an educational tour of the Area Effigy Mounds to America Meredith, Publishing Editor of American Art Maga-

zine and Linda Lomahftewa, Institute of American Indian Arts Professor on July 9-10, 2015. The group toured the Baraboo, Wisconsin Dells, Portage, Madison, Muscoda and Effigy Mounds National Monument in the two day period. The group is pictured near a conical mound at Effigy Mounds National Monument in Harpers Ferry, Iowa with Ranger Rodney Rovang.



Front Row L to R: Rodney Rovang, Linda Lomahftewa and America Meredith, Back – George Greendeer

## Man Mound Day

Saturday, August 1, 2015  
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

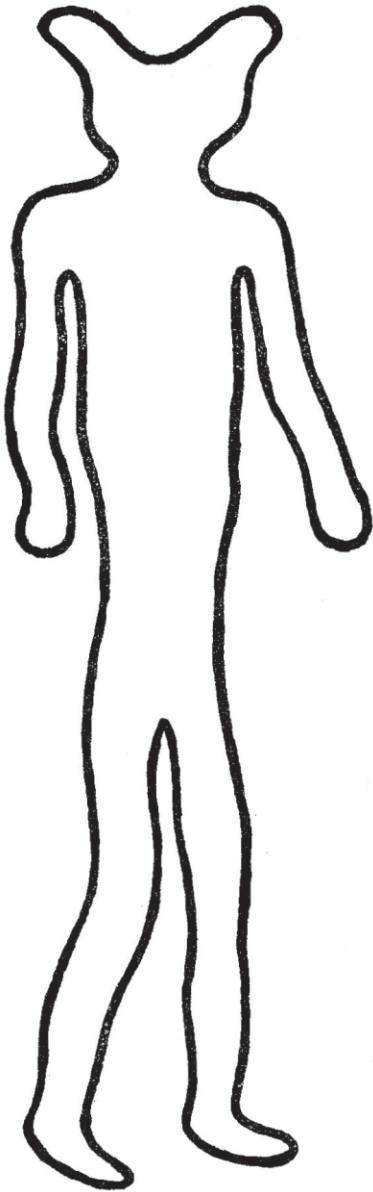
### Man Mound Park

Approximately four miles  
northeast of Baraboo, Wisconsin  
on Man Mound Road.

Come join in celebrating this spectacular effigy mound created by the Native Peoples of Wisconsin about one thousand years ago.

The day will mark the 156<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first measuring and mapping of the Man Mound by William Canfield and the 107<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the preservation of the Man Mound, the only remaining human-shaped Native American effigy mound. There will be exhibits and presentations throughout the day.

Please join us to for this opportunity to learn more about the Man Mound, the current efforts to further care for this spectacular site, as well as other effigy mound sites in Wisconsin.



## HO-CHUNK LANGUAGE CLASS

NOW AVAILABLE AT THE  
MADISON  
BRANCH OFFICE

Tuesdays: 9:00am – 10:00am  
Thursdays: 9:00am – 10:00am  
And Tuesday evenings: 6:00pm – 7:00pm  
Everyone is welcome!







WRITE-IN

SAMANTHA C.  
SKENANDORE

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE SEAT 2 OF THE  
HO-CHUNK NATION SUPREME COURT  
ON JULY 23, 2015



A Proven History with the Nation;  
A Promising Future for the People

NOW more than ever we need EXPERIENCE in our courts. Look toward a candidate with an accomplished work history in Indian Country fighting for tribal rights and pushing for strong tribal court systems.

*"I took the advice of my elders to go out and bring something back and I believe that difficult decision was the right choice. My heart has never left the Ho-Chunk Nation since beginning a strong work history with traditional-spiritual leaders and government officials many years ago. Let me work for you and capture our traditions and customs in strong legal decisions for your children, grandchildren and generations to come. This is your legacy that I promise to preserve."*

- Samantha Greendeer Skenandore (*Ciinq 'k Mqq nĭ*)



**GET TO THE POLLS! The Special Election for Associate Justice will be held  
July 23, 2015 at all Election Poll Locations, 8:00 am. – 7:00 p.m.**







WRITE-IN

# SAMANTHA C. SKENANDORE

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION SUPREME COURT  
ON JULY 23, 2015

☑ **EDUCATED.** B.A. 2001 – University of Wisconsin – Madison, Behavioral Sciences & Law/American Indian Studies; J.D. 2005 – University of Denver Sturm College of Law; studied International Law in Vienna, Austria and Indigenous Peoples Law in Geneva, Switzerland.

☑ **CREDENTIALLED.** Member of the Ho-Chunk Bar since 2006; Wisconsin Bar since 2006 (former Board Member of the Indian Law Section); Arizona Bar since 2014; Western District of Wisconsin since 2006 (currently inactive); Hualapai Tribal Court since 2011 (currently inactive), Ft. McDowell Tribal Court since 2011; Tohono O'odham Nation Courts since 2013; appeared and consulted the Ho-Chunk Traditional Court since 1998; member of the Federal Bar Association, Federal Circuit Bar Association (former Chair of Indian Law Committee) and the American Bar Association.

☑ **EXPERIENCED.** Ten solid years of active and successful legal practice including representation of the Ho-Chunk Nation, over TWENTY tribal nations, numerous tribally-owned companies and tribal individuals. Over 22 years of experience working DIRECTLY for tribal government.

☑ **PROVEN COMMITMENT TO THE TRIBAL COMMUNITY.** Vigilant pro bono representation of tribal members in domestic violence, child support, child custody, sacred site matters and start-up of Indian-owned businesses; serves on Gila River Boys & Girls Club Board of Directors, formerly volunteered at Dane County United Way and on the Madison Children's Museum Board of Directors.

☑ **RECOGNIZED PERFORMANCE.** 2015 Recognition for Unrelenting Determination to Acquire 1,552 Acres of Former Badger Army Ammunition Plant Land for the Ho-Chunk Nation; 2012 Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Tribal Excellence Award; the 2011 Wisconsin Law Journal's Up and Coming Lawyers; and was featured in the 2008 Business Watch Magazine, Dane County (WI) Forward Focus, "Amazing Women in Business."



Saturday & Sunday August 1st & 2<sup>nd</sup>

BROWN FAMILY

16th Annual Reunion

Bring a dish to pass – meat provided  
Family – Food – Fun  
Swimming – Cards – Horseshoes – Auction

Blackhawk Park, DeSoto, WI.



Questions call – Fran Littlewolf 715-297-4239 Or Lee Brown – 715-299-4417

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SUMMER GATHERING

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SATURDAY | AUGUST 22, 2015 | NOON - 4PM

FREE!

TOKEN CREEK PARK  
6200 US HWY 51  
DEFOREST, WI 53532  
tokencreek.com

FOODPRIZESFRISBEE GOLF  
KICKBALLVOLLEYBALL  
FACE PAINTING  
WATER BALLOON TOSS  
MUSIC & MORE

POTLUCK PLEASE DONATE.  
LAST NAME BEGINS WITH...

A - I: SIDE DISHES

J - Q: DESSERTS

R - Z: DRINKS

50/50 Raffle

BRING SOME MONEY



PRIMARY CONTACT PERSON:  
Cher Laubmeier:608-277-9964

SECONDARY CONTACT:  
Annette Crowder:608-709-1012  
Miriam Whiteagle:608-242-1640

HAVE NO FEAR  
GET YOUR RESOLUTION ANSWERS HERE

GENERAL COUNCIL AGENCY


27374 State Highway 21  
Tomah, WI 54660  
Direct Line: 715-284-7891 Fax:608-372-6092

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Ho-Chunk Nation General Council Branch

AND CHECK US OUT AT:

<https://sites.google.com/site/hochunkgca>

HO-CHUNK NATION  
DIVISION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans Affairs Advisory Board

Date: September 11, 2015

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: TOB-Veterans Affairs Division  
Conference Room

The Division of Veterans Affairs encourages  
all veterans and interested individuals to attend.

Should you have any questions comments or concerns please  
contact the Division of Veterans Affairs at (715)284-4563.

This meeting notice is posted in accordance with the  
Ho-Chunk Nation Open Meetings Act.

POSTED : June 22, 2015

P.O. BOX 667, W9814 AIRPORT ROAD, BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI 54615  
PH. (866) 505-4793 FAX (715) 284-5934

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Basketball  
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When:  
Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> 2015  
9:00 am Tournament Tip off

Where:  
House of Wellness  
Yellow Thunder Gymnasium  
S2845 White Eagle Rd, Baraboo WI 53913  
608-355-5155 Ext. 5517

WHO:  
Open to the Public!  
5 Players/Team Max. Co-Ed Optional.  
Double Elimination.

ENTRY FEE:  
\$25/Per Player. Must be 18yrs & Older  
Team Registration ends @ 8:45 AM.  
T-Shirt Included.

Cash Prizes!  
1<sup>st</sup> Place = \$500  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place = \$400  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place = \$300

Sponsors:  
HOUSE OF WELLNESS  
Fitness | Aquatic Center



[www.facebook.com/Ho-chunkhow](http://www.facebook.com/Ho-chunkhow)

Tri-Sport  
Tournament

SATURDAY  
AUG 29<sup>TH</sup>  
2015

Ho-Chunk enrolled Members & HCN Employees.  
Age 14 yrs & older. Entry Fee: \$200 per Team.  
8 Team Limit – 10 participants per Team.  
Overall Champs will be determined by event  
placing's & points earned.

1<sup>st</sup> - \$500 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$400 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$300

TUG O WAR

House of Wellness  
Fitness/Aquatic Center  
S2845 White Eagle Rd  
Baraboo, WI 53913  
608-355-5155 Ext 5506



## Home Ownership Program



27374 St Hwy 21 E Office Building 5  
Tomah, WI 54660

THE FOLLOWING HO-CHUNK NATION TRIBAL MEMBERS NEED TO CONTACT  
THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & PUBLIC WORKS  
HOME OWNERSHIP PROGRAM  
BY AUGUST 14, 2015

1050	2573	546	3305	376	1983
1689	3367	3151	3206	1884	1129
1433	371	273	1880	495	46
2703	2330	2805	1214	481	591
2546	5495	2582	87	899	4321
173	174	3344	894	1874	1856
2210	2968	1740	2411	1812	1882

PLEASE CONTACT VICKI SHISLER, MICHELLE WINNESHIEK OR SHEILA STOUT

(608) 374-1225

## Wallace Mitchell Cleveland Jr.

Graduated from  
Kindergarten at  
Grainwood Elementary  
Prior Lake, MN.  
Future Endeavors:  
Jr wants to be a superhero  
when he grows up.  
Parents:  
Wallace Cleveland Sr. and  
Borey Hong



## Invitation for a Seven Day Caribbean Cruise

### Rodney and Barbie Rave

are going on a cruise February 28, 2016 and  
would like to invite anyone interested in joining  
them to contact them at 715-896-9895 or  
715-896-9865 for more information.

Room Prices (good until August) per couple:

**All inclusive**

**Balcony Suite \$3,029.16**

**Ocean view \$2,161.16 • Interior \$ 1,613.16**

\$500.00 plus airfare required within 2 weeks of August per-  
cap. (August 15th). Remainder due at November percap.  
We would like as many couples to join us on this 7 day  
fun/relaxing cruise. The ship will depart from Port Canav-  
eral, Florida with ports of call at Lavadee, Haiti, Falmouth,  
Jamaica, Georgetown, Grand Canyon, and Cozumel, Mex-  
ico. Contact us for details, activities and a meeting time.  
We would like to be your tour guide, no fee on our part.  
We want everyone to experience this awesome adventure,  
and we will gladly walk you through, step by step when  
booking your cruise.

## Notice of HHCD Monthly Meeting July 23, 2015

Ho-Chunk Housing &  
Community Development  
Agency (HUD Housing)

HHCDA Commissioners Lee Brown Jr., Karena Thun-  
dercloud, Colin Carrimon, Francis Decorah, Martin  
Littlewolf Jr., Leonard Walker, Gerald Cleveland, Cheri  
Byhre, Mike Goze and John Dall. Will meet on Thurs-  
day, July 23, 2015, at 5:00 PM, at the HHCDA Office  
in Tomah (Corner of Monowau Street & Sime Avenue).  
Agenda items by noon on Thursday, July 16, 2015 to  
the Board Secretary at 608-374-1245, extension 222.

# HOUSE

For sale: 3 BEDROOM home at  
Timber run, Wisconsin Dells.  
New roof. sits on 5.040 acres  
of beautiful hunting land.  
\$75,000 as is.

for  
sale



608-448-1084

## MEETING NOTICE

### LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, July 21, 2015  
10:00 a.m.

Legislative Conference Room  
Tribal Executive Offices  
Black River Falls, WI 54615



## Public Notice TITLE III GRANT HEARING

August 06, 2015  
11:00 AM

**Nekoosa TAU Meal Site**  
4912 Winneshiek Lane  
Nekoosa, WI

The Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Aging Unit  
gives notice for a public hearing regarding  
the State Title III Grant Plan 2016-2018

Contact your local TAU for Transportation to this Hearing. LUNCH WILL BE SERVED





# Sultry Summer \$40K GIVEAWAY

## \$40K SUMMER CASH AUGUST 30 | 6PM DRAWING

Get your free entry today for the chance to win a share of \$40,000 CASH. Earn one additional entry every day when you earn 25 points playing slots or play table games for at least one hour. Top Prize is \$10,000 CASH.

**WIN EXTRA ENTRIES & \$100 REWARDS PLAY**  
FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS | 5PM - 2AM | HOT SEAT DRAWINGS



### BINGO FUN FOR 1/2 THE COST FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

Play Bingo every Friday and Saturday to experience all the fun of full payouts for half the cost.



### WIN UP TO \$500 CASH THURSDAYS | 2PM & 8PM

Enter weekly for the chance to be one of five lucky players to be drawn at 2pm and 8pm to play and win cash prizes up to \$500.



**ho-chunkgaming.com**

Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls welcomes anyone 21 years or older to play in the casino. Those 18 years or older are welcome to play Bingo. Additional rules and restrictions may apply. See the Rewards Club for complete rules and details. Ho-Chunk Gaming reserves the right to cancel or alter promotions at any time.